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5 I, WILLIAM EDWARD GEDGE, of the Firm of John Gedge and Son, of No. 11, Wellington Street, Strand, in the County of Middlesex, Patent Agent, do hereby declare the nature of the said Invention for “IMPROVED APPARATUS FOR ADMINISTERING NOURISHMENT TO THE SICK OR INFIRM,” (a communication from abroad by Bernard Maillet, of 39, Faubourg Saint Martin, Paris, France,) to be
10 as follows :—

The accompanying Sheet of Drawing, forming part of this Specification, shews two apparatus constructed according to this Invention.

At Figure 1 a sick person lying in bed is drinking without any movement of head or body from the apparatus shewn Figure 1*, which consists, firstly, of
15 a metal stand A of variable shape, and forming lamp and heater above, and fitting into this stand is a moveable reservoir or pot B of porcelain, earthenware, or metal, the contents of which will vary. This reservoir or pot B may be raised from or lowered nearer to the fire by means of a rack, and the liquid be kept at the desired temperature. The fire-place is formed by a night
20 light or lamp which affords the double advantage of heating the drink contained in the reservoir and of lighting the chamber. Beneath the lid of the reservoir is fitted a flexible tube C of caoutchouc or any other suitable material terminating in a spring which moves a valve D and a mouth-piece in form of a nipple for sucking.

Gedge's Improved Apparatus for Administering Nourishment.

At Figure 2 another such person may be seen drinking from the apparatus shewn Figure 2* composed of a cup and saucer made of any suitable material. A flexible tube ending in a nipple F at its outer extremity has its inner end fitted to a block of glass or metal G, acting as counterpoise, and intended to keep it at the bottom of the cup, the piece of glass or metal having openings 5 to facilitate the sucking up of the liquid contained in the cup. The application of this second apparatus takes place whenever an infirm person or one condemned to a state of absolute inertia by reason of a fractured limb or obliged from any other cause whatever to abstain from any movement even of the head, and permits such person to drink in any position so that the nipple F 10 can reach the mouth.

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FIG. 1.

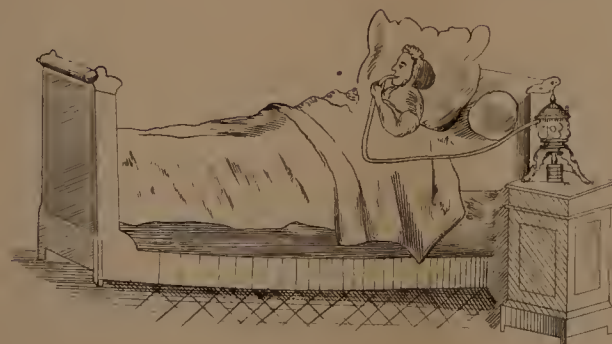


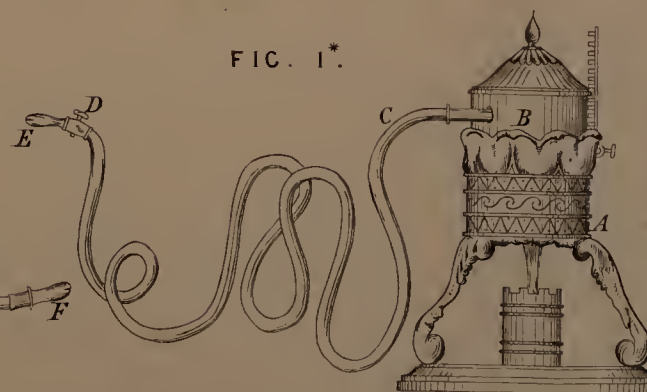
FIG. 2.



FIG. 2*.



FIG. 1*.



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